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finances of the society. The Marketing Officer is studying marketing possibilities in Madras and the mufassal, fixing agencies in these places, and collecting samples of cloth produced in several areas. The district supervisors are engaged in similar work. Arrangements are being made to supply primary societies with yarn of correct length and weight at the price ruling on the day of delivery.

(b) There are now 15 affiliated societies whose names are given in the list [a] appended. Production societies are being organized at Melapalayam, Conjeeveram, Narayanavaram, Pedana, Rayadrug and Tanjore.

(c) The work is likely to continue for as long as the Government of India give the grant which will be received till 1938–39.

Mr. P. V. Krishnayya Choudari:—"Are there any rules restricting the affiliation of societies?"

The Hon. Mr. P. T. Rajan:—"I cannot say off-hand."

Public Works

Recruitment of Assistant Engineers and Supervisors since 1930.

* 599 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. Nachiyappa Gounder: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many Assistant Engineers and how many supervisors have been recruited for the Public Works in each year since 1930;

(*b*) what the communitywar and districtwar strength is of each class of these appointments in each year; and

(*c*) whether there is direct recruitment of Executive Engineers and if so, how many have been selected in each year since 1930; and how many such posts have been filled by promotion in each year?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*)—

Assistant Engineers.

	Brahman.	Non-Brahman.	Others.	Total.
1930	8	..	..	8
1931	..	1	..	1
1932 to 1934	..	..	..	..
1935	8	8	..	16

Supervisors.

	Brahman.	Non-Brahman.	Christian.	Muhammadan.	Total.
1930	39	23	4	1	67
1931	7	7	1	..	15
1932 to 1935	..	..	..	..	..

Information regarding the districtwar strength is not available.

[a] Printed as Appendix II on page 224 infra.

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(c) There is no direct recruitment of Executive Engineers. They belong to the All-India Service and are recruited by the Secretary of State first as Assistant Executive Engineers and are promoted to the rank of Executive Engineers.

One post of Assistant Executive Engineer was filled up by promotion of an Assistant Engineer in 1931.

Veterinary

Proposals for the extension of the course of study and the affiliation of the Veterinary College to the University.

* 600 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state what action has been taken in regard to the extension of the veterinary course to a period of five years and the affiliation of the Veterinary College to the University?

A.—A proposal for the introduction of the Bachelor of Veterinary Science Degree Course extending to ten terms (three years and one academic term) at the Madras Veterinary College from July 1935 was sanctioned by Government; but the course has not been introduced as the Inspection Commission appointed by the Madras University to inspect the College made some recommendations which involved further expenditure requiring Government sanction, before the University could be asked to affiliate the College. The recommendations of the Inspection Commission are under the consideration of Government. There is no proposal to extend the course to a period of five years.

Mr. A. B. Shetty:—" May I know what expenditure is required for carrying out the recommendations of the Inspection Commission? "

The Hon. Mr. P. T. Rajan:—" About Rs. 4,500."

Mr. A. B. Shetty:—" In view of this small sum that is required, may I know why Government should take further time to consider this matter? "

The Hon. Mr. P. T. Rajan:—" The matter is under consideration. I believe this has been considered as a Part II scheme for 1936–37."

Local Self-Government

Protests against the constitution of Udipi into a municipality.

* 601 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many representations and objections have been received by the Government against the proposal to constitute Udipi into a municipality after the publication of the preliminary notification in the Gazette; and